

3. Director of the worshipper,
thou art the
guardian of the offerer; help us
mightily.
4. INBEA, protect our chariot; though
now left
behind, set it in the front, O thunderer.
5. Upj why sittest thou still ? make
our chariot
the first; our food-seeking¹ offering is
near thee.
6. Protect our food-seeking chariot;
everything
is easy for thee to do; make us completely
victorious.
7. INDBA, be firm (in battle), thou art
(strong as)
a city;² to thee, the repeller (of
enemies),³ comes
this auspicious sacrifice, offered in due
season*
8. Let not reproach reach us.; far off is
the goal;
there is the wealth stored; may our
enemies be ex-
cluded.
9. When thou assumest thy
sacrificial fourth
name,⁴ we long for it; then thou
forthwith carriest
us as a protector.

¹ Here, as elsewhere, Sayana explains *vajayu* by *annam ichchhat*; the St. Petersburg Diet, takes it as " wettlanfend, eilig; ²⁷ Grassmann renders it " giiterreich." Sayana explains *Sravas* by *annam* as usual, i.e.. *havirlak&Tianam*. The clause may perhaps mean " the race i* glorious and swift."

² Or, according to another interpretation, " be firmly settled (in our sacrifice), thou art the fulfiller of desires,"

*purakdh ka-
mdndm asi.*

³ *NisJikritam*, is here taken actively, i.e. *jffishkartdram*. It may be also taken passively, " this auspicious sacrifice conies to thy appointed (place).

⁴ The four names are explained to be the *ndksJiata* or constellation-name, (i.e. *Arfwia*, as connected with the constellation